



United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service



# News Release

In Cooperation with Clemson University

South Carolina Field Office . 1835 Assembly St, Rm 1008 . Columbia, SC 29201 . (803) 765-5333  
[www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov)

Released on June 13, 2011

Contact: Eddie Wells, Director (803)765-5333  
Stan Cheek, Agricultural Statistician  
[nass-sc@nass.usda.gov](mailto:nass-sc@nass.usda.gov)

## WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST UP FROM 2010

Based on May 1 conditions, SOUTH CAROLINA'S WINTER WHEAT production for 2011 is expected to total 8.93 million bushels, the USDA – NASS, South Carolina Field Office announced today. This is up 91 percent from the 4.68 million bushels produced in 2010, and up 27 percent from the 7.05 million bushels produced in 2009. Acres for harvest, at 190,000, are up 60,000 acres from 2010, and up 40,000 from 2009. This year's expected average yield per acre of 47.0 bushels is up 11 bushels from last year, and unchanged from 2009.

**U.S. Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.42 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2010. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 32.0 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 44.5 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels from last year. Hard Red Winter, at 762 million bushels, is down 25 percent from 2010. Soft Red Winter, at 427 million bushels, is up 80 percent from last year. White Winter is up 3 percent from last year and totals 235 million bushels. Of this total, 11.7 million bushels are Hard White and 224 million bushels are Soft White.